

# The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 77.

MONDAY, APRIL 24, 1882.

FIVE DOLLARS PER QUARTER.

## Insurances.

### NOTICE.

**THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

(CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.)

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,  
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,  
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1882.

**LE CERCLE TRANSPORTS.**

SOCIÉTÉ ANONYME D'ASSURANCE

MARITIME MARSEILLE.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....15,000,000 Francs.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....3,750,000 Francs.

The Undersigned, having been appointed

AGENTS of the above Company, are prepared to

GRANT POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all

parts of the World.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

**THE CITY OF LONDON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

CAPITAL £2,000,000; PAID-UP £200,000.

PAID UP RESERVE FUND.....£50,000.

The Undersigned, having been appointed

AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to

ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates,

allowing usual discounts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1882.

**THE SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.**

CAPITAL, £1,000,000 (One Million Sterling).

UNLIMITED LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS.

The Undersigned, having been appointed

AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to

ACCEPT FIRE AND MARINE RISKS at Current

Rates, allowing usual discounts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1882.

**YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.**

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000.00.

PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000.00.

SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 288,936.17.

TOTAL CAPITAL and

ACCUMULATIONS, 2nd

April, 1881.....Tls. 938,936.17.

DIRECTORS.

F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.

M. W. BOYD, Esq., Wm. MEYERINK, Esq.,

J. H. PINCKHOSS, Esq., F. D. HITCH, Esq.

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Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH.

Messrs. BARKING BROTHERS & Co.

Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent.

68 and 69, Cornhill, E.C.

POLICIES granted on MARINE RISKS to all

parts of the World.

Subject to a charge of 12 per cent. for interest

on shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the

UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are annually dis-

tributed among all Contributors of Business in

proportion to the premia paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882.

## To be Let.

### TO LET.

**THE SIX FOUR-STORYED SUBSTANTIAL DWELLING HOUSES** now in course of erection at the bottom of Old Bailey-street in Hollywood Road, on the site of the Premises formerly occupied by Messrs. T. ALGAR & Co., House Agents, &c.

These Desirable Premises will be completed in about four months, and the Undersigned is prepared to make any changes or alterations in the construction or internal arrangements of the buildings to suit tenants desirous of taking one or all of the Houses on lease.

These Houses will be found specially adapted for Purse Merchants, being situated in the centre of the Range district of the city, and having commodious and suitable Godowns underneath for the storage of Opium and other Merchandise. For Full Particulars, apply to

FRED. RICKARDS,

United Club, Staunton-street,

(Opposite Union Church),

Hongkong, 15th April, 1882.

### TO LET.

**OFFICES** in No. 13, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, ALSO, No. 4, SEYMOUR TERRACE, No. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

Apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1882.

### TO LET.

**TWO GODOWNS**

now occupied by the

HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Possession from 1st May.

Apply to

ROSE & Co.,

Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1882.

**THE Undersigned** have been appointed

AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD

OF UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

**THE Undersigned** has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 1st day of May, 1882, at THREE O'CLOCK

P.M., on the Premises,

No. 8, WELLINGTON-STREET.

ALL that PIECE or PARCELS of GROUND

situate at VICTORIA, HONGKONG, measuring

North of Wellington-street 18 feet 3 inches; on

the East by d'Aguilar-street measuring thereon

49 feet 10 inches; on the south of Inland Lot

136, measuring 18 feet 5 inches; on the West

by Overbeck's portion, Inland Lot 136, mea-

suring 49 feet 10 inches; which PIECE or

PARCEL of LAND is registered in the Land

Office as section A of Inland Lot 136.

THE SHOP No. 8, WELLINGTON-STREET

is at the corners of Wellington and d'Aguilar-

streets.

For Further Particulars, and Conditions of Sale,

apply to

J. M. GUEDES,

Auctioneer.

No. 33, Wellington-street,

Hongkong, 15th April, 1882.

### PUBLIC AUCTION

### OF

### VALUABLE PROPERTY.

**THE Undersigned** has received instructions from the MORTGAGEE to sell by Public

Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 3rd May, 1882, at 3 P.M., on the Premises.

THE Three substantially built CHINESE

SHOPS, in Queen's Road West, Nos. 42, 44,

and 46, Registered in the LAND OFFICE as

section A of INLAND LOT 363, and section

B of INLAND LOT 364, Victoria, Hongkong.

For Further Particulars and Conditions of

Sale,

Apply to

J. M. GUEDES,

Auctioneer.

33, Wellington-street, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1882.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

### OF

### VALUABLE LEASEHOLD

PROPERTY, lying between Bonham-strand and Wing Lok-

street, will be offered for sale by Public Auction,

under instructions from the MORTGAGEE,

IN ONE LOT

By Mr. J. M. GUEDES, Auctioneer, on

THURSDAY,

the 4th day of May, 1882, at THREE P.M., at the

Premises, comprising—

THOSE several PIECES or PARCELS of

GROUND situate at VICTORIA, HONGKONG,

known and Registered in the LAND OFFICE as

the Remaining Portion of section A of

MARINE LOT No. 1, section E of MARINE

LOT No. 4, section F of MARINE LOT No. 4,

and sub-section One of section A of MARINE

LOT No. 4A.

To view a plan of the Premises, and for

Further Particulars and Conditions of Sale,

Apply to

BRERETON & WOTTON,

solicitors for the Mortgagee,

or to

THE AUCTIONEER.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1882.

### Entimations.

**J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE AND PORTER.**

**DAVID CORSAIR & SONS'**

MERCHANT NAVY

NAVY BOILED

LONG FLAX

CROWN

ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

### NOTICE.

**THE Undersigned** has all kinds of House and

Ship COAL for sale in large or small

quantities at Moderate Prices. Strong and Com-

modious small steamers on hire for towing

purposes, Excursions, &c., &c., CHEAPER than any

other House in the Trade.

Apply to

HING LEE,

37, Tung Man Lane.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1882.

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## Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO.  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL  
DRUGGISTS,  
GENERAL CHEMISTS,

AND  
Manufacturers of the following  
AERATED WATERS,  
viz:

SODA, TONIC, SASSAPARILLA,  
AND POTASH, LEMONADE,  
GINGERADE, RASPBERRYADE,  
AND PHOSPHORIC CHAMPAGNE.

Deliveries in Town and Harbour from  
7 A.M. to 7 P.M.

SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS REFILLED,  
PASSENGER SHIPS SUPPLIED.

Prompt Attention given to Coast Orders.

HONGKONG DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.  
SHANGHAI PHARMACY,  
SHANGHAI.  
CANTON DISPENSARY,  
CANTON.  
THE DISPENSARY,  
FOOCHOW.

## NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to subscriptions, advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong Telegraph" and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

Whilst the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

## TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in that day's issue not later than THREE O'CLOCK, so as not to retard the early publication of the paper.

## TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Arrangements have been made to publish The Hongkong Telegraph daily at 4 P.M. subscribers in the central districts who do not receive their copies before FIVE O'CLOCK will oblige by at once communicating with the Manager.

## DEATHS.

On the 10th March, on his way home from Queensland, of paralysis, and was buried in the Reel Sea the Rev. WILLIAM MAXWELL, Senior Minister of the North Leith Free Church and formerly of Dunblane and Comrie in his 70th year. 1871.

On the 10th inst., at Vennar, after a long illness, JAMES STRAUCH, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 24, 1882.

Like many another good man whose foolish pride has blinded his common-sense, Mr. H. G. THOMSETT might well think sorrowfully of the "flattering unction" specially provided for his burdened soul by that paragon of evening newspapers, the *China Mail*, in its issue of the 15th inst. on the occasion of his slightly indiscreet passage at arms with the Coroner. Referring to that now historical, albeit undignified, squabble, our reliable contemporary no doubt meant to comfort the Harbour Master when it gave to the world its opinion "that Mr. WONGHOUSE failed to exercise that discrimination with which he has hitherto been credited when he crossed swords with his fellow magistrate." "Any reasonable range of inquiry," remarks the evening oracle, "instead of forming the subject of well grounded objection, furnishes one of the strongest reasons why the coronial (sic) functions should be efficiently carried out and strenuously upheld. But the Jurors, as well as the public generally, look for the discreet use of the Coroner's powers in placing his construction upon what constitutes evidence in any inquiry over which he may be presiding." In plain words, the *China Mail* authoritatively asserts that the Coroner was not acquainted with his business, and acted indiscreetly in asking CAPTAIN THOMSETT the questions which led to the difference of opinion between these two high officials. Our contemporary goes even further than this. After specially "battering up" the Harbour Master, the same independent course is pursued with regard to the jury. "We fail to see," says the *China Mail*, why the time of the jury should be taken up with a widely extended investigation of the system now in force for the relief of distressed seamen, or that CAPTAIN THOMSETT should be called upon for a lengthy explanation of his duties in this connection, merely because a comparatively clear case of suicide has occurred by a seaman out of employment. This it seems to us, though an inquiry of the greatest importance, is one which would more suitably form the subject of direct action on the part of the Executive, than of prolonged

examination in the Coroner's Court; and we cannot help thinking that Captain THOMSETT was justified in entering his protest against the course that was being followed by Mr. WONGHOUSE in the case under notice. Had the Coroner, instead of persisting in his questions, at once abandoned his course, and adopted that of representing the matter to his superiors, he would not only have displayed a greater measure of sound discretion than appeared, but have avoided an unseemly war of words between officials which is always to be regretted. And then, as if afraid of offending Mr. WONGHOUSE, we are told that "the community will heartily approve of the desire evinced by the Coroner in exposing public shortcomings as was shown by his recent inquiry into the origin of the fire which proved fatal to FIREMAN ANDERSON: all that need be said here is, that, in our opinion, Mr. WONGHOUSE should have done it in another way." This is "mixing up" matters with a vengeance; however, our contemporary no doubt meant to convey something or other to its readers; that that something might be is not clearly stated, and under any circumstances it cannot be of the slightest consequence to anybody.

The position taken up by CAPTAIN THOMSETT has been declared untenable; the views of the *China Mail* have been proved, as usual, to be utterly wrong. There can be no manner of doubt about our respected Harbour Master having, like Cardinal Wolsey in the dim and distant past, come down from his lofty altitude in most ignominious fashion. It would be false modesty on our part were we to assume any feeling but that of gratification at this result. We predicted with some degree of confidence that Mr. THOMSETT was altogether in the wrong in his strange, and unseemly behaviour at the Coroner's Inquest, and we are glad that our predictions have been verified to the letter. However, we have no desire or intention to harshly criticise the Harbour Master's foolish obstinacy in refusing to answer Mr. WONGHOUSE's courteous inquiries, now that he has been taught the error of his ways. He has doubtless been hauled over the coals by his superiors, and that ought, under the circumstances, to be sufficient. Taking advantage of this bitter lesson, he will no doubt be more careful in future.

We should imagine that Captain THOMSETT feels somewhat disappointed at having placed any value on the bare-faced flatteries, or any reliance on the prejudiced opinions of such a paper as the *China Mail*. He doubtless experiences the truth of Shakespeare's saying, and might well say, referring to our contemporary, "He does me double wrong that wounds me with the flatteries of his tongue."

UPON opening the hatches yesterday morning, the dead body of Lee Apoo, a coolie, was found in the lower hold of the steamship *Carnarvonshire*, where it is supposed to have been lying since the previous evening. Deceased, it is thought, was one of a batch of coolies engaged in discharging cargo, and would appear to have accidentally fallen down the hold. It seems strange that he was not missed by his companions, but it may be that at the time of the accident their attention was diverted elsewhere, and that when the day's work was finished his absence was not noticed by the other coolies. Or, with the absurd fear characteristic of the genus *Celestial*, that some of them saw the deceased tumble down the hold, but were afraid to mention it lest they might be accused of having thrown or pushed him down. An inquest will doubtless clear the matter up.

says the Sydney *Evening News*, the most extensive and, perhaps, the most successful blasting operation which has ever been witnessed took place on January 18th at Saunders' quarries, Pyrmont, Sydney, N.S.W., in the presence of several hundreds of spectators. The quarries are widely known for the splendid quality of the stone produced, the demand for which is so great as to keep a large number of men in constant employment. The surface soil had been cleared away from a mass of rock 125ft. long, 30ft. wide, and 65ft. deep, and into this rock two 4in. holes had been bored, one to a depth of 65ft., and the other 60ft. In the 65 foot bore was placed 38lbs. of Hall's blasting powder, and in the other bore 37lbs. of powder, manufactured by Pigou & Co., (limited). The charges having been well rammed down, and a connection made by wire with a dynamo electric machine placed about 50 yards away, the Mayor of Sydney (Mr. J. Harris) fired off both shots simultaneously, and the whole mass of rock was seen to move bodily, and then split up into numerous fissures from top to bottom, and across the whole length exactly in the direction anticipated by the proprietors of the quarry. Everything passed off in a very satisfactory manner, and several large contractors who were present declared the operation to be the grandest shot they had ever seen. Subsequent calculation showed that the mass of rock moved amounted to the enormous weight of 17,968 tons. The electric machine was worked by Mr. G. A. Kopsch and assistants, from the Telegraphic department. This morning Mr. Robert Saunders, on making an examination, found that only one of the blasts (Pigou's) had fired, and that, probably, from some defect in the wire, the other blast had not exploded. It will be shot this afternoon. Arrangements are being made for two more blasts of similar dimensions, which will take place in two or three days.

HIS Excellency the Administrator has been pleased to appoint provisionally, and until further notice, the Rev. Charles Monck Vaughan, R.N., to act as Colonial Chaplain during the absence on leave of the Rev. W. Jennings.

HIS Excellency the Administrator has been pleased to make the following provisional and temporary appointments in the Government Central School:—Mr. Wat Tat-tai, Acting Monitor, to be Monitor. Mr. Li King-pan, to be Acting Monitor. These appointments will date as from the 15th instant.

DR. W. J. MOORE, surgeon-General of the Bombay Army, has written a book, entitled "The Other side of the Opium Question," in which he adduces wide personal experience amongst others of opium in India to prove its value as a stimulant, and its harmlessness "when taken in moderation."

WE are informed by Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co., Agents for the "Castle" line of steamers, that the company's new boat, the *Stirling Castle*, left Singapore for this port yesterday. The *Stirling Castle* steamed from Suva to Singapore under 13 days, a rate of speed, which, bar accidents, must render the race home with this season's boats, a certainty for Messrs. Thomas Skinner & Son's new clipper.

THE new Chinese Consul at Hiego, says the *News*, Mr. Ma Kin Chang, who is passing through to wait upon the Chinese Minister in Tokio before entering upon his duties in Kobe, is, we are informed, a gentleman of very exceptional attainments. He is stated to be intimately acquainted with English, French, German, Italian, Latin and Greek, and must therefore possess a peculiar gift for acquiring foreign languages. Most people can only speak and write their mother tongue—and do so badly.

HERE is something interesting from Japan for our mission's friends. The *Mainichi-shimbun* announces that some members of the *Onkoku-shin-Mokoku* (Buddhist Association) at Sanbanchō, Tokyo, held a public lecturing meeting on the 4th instant, against Christianity. It is reported that delegates will be sent to Korea and China, by degrees, to attack this religion. The society already numbers some twenty thousand adherents. Opposition is the life of trade, so it is just possible that this threatened crusade against Christianity may give the mission's business a new term of existence in "heavenly China."

JUST as we are going to press, says the *Japan Mail* of the 8th inst., news reaches us of an attempt to assassinate Mr. Itagaki, which took place on the 6th instant at Gifu. The telegram reporting the event is meagre. It merely says that the assassin was a shioku, and that the affair occurred either at, or after, a friendly meeting. Mr. Itagaki's wounds are reported to be in the face and breast, but of a trifling nature. The would-be assassin was immediately arrested, but his motives remain a matter of conjecture. We are inclined to suspect, however, that the apparently conciliatory disposition recently displayed by the Tosa leader towards the Government may have aroused the indignation of some hot-headed Radical, who thinks that swords and bullets are excellent companions on the way to a constitution. However this may be, the news reminds one of the biblical adage—"A house which is divided against itself cannot stand."

THE death of Mr. Edwin James, says a contemporary, recalls an old half-forgotten legal scandal. A quarrel of a century ago no English barister was better known to the newspaper-reading English public than he; to no one did the path of success seem more open and unencumbered; and yet in a day the familiar name became a byword and a reproach. It was in July 1864 that a sudden notice in the *Gazette* announced that Mr. James's name had been removed from the list of Queen's Counsel, and almost immediately afterwards he withdrew from his clubs and was disbarred by the benchers of his Inn. Legal tribunals are secret; but it soon became known that while engaged for a plaintiff, Edwin James had taken money from a defendant, and his career in England was over for ever. He emigrated to that universal refuge, the United States, but after eleven years of exile returned to England, and commenced business as a "jurisconsult." The move was so far from being a success, that at the time of his death a subscription was being raised to free him from his difficulties, and his life must be described as a long failure. There have been many worse men than Edwin James, but few whose misdoings have been more promptly punished.

THE Rome Correspondent of the *London Daily News* on the 9th ult. wires as follows:—"One of the great actors in the drama of the Italian revolution has to-day ended his earthly career. Giovanni Lanza, who died at half-past four this afternoon, was born in 1811 in Piedmont. By profession he was a doctor, but early evinced a keen interest in the political questions of his day, and was elected as one of the deputies to the first sub-Alpine Parliament opened by Charles Albert. With the present Premier, signor Depretis, he shared the honour of having been returned to every subsequent Legislature. His Spartan firmness and integrity, joined to an ardent love of liberty, recommended him to the Count Cavour, and he became Minister of Public Instruction in 1855. He likewise held the portfolio of Finance during Count Cavour's absence, and again from 1858 to 1859. From 1864 to 1865 he was Home Secretary under General La Marmora, and from 1869 to 1873 he coupled that office with the presidency of the Cabinet, thus directing the policy of the Government throughout the most momentous epoch of modern Italian history—the liberation of Rome from Papal thralldom, and the installation there of the Government of a free and united Italy. Though poor, Signor Lanza never enriched himself by a farthing at the expense of the State. The salary he drew as Minister he devoted to founding an infant asylum in his native town. He enjoyed in a high degree the esteem of the sovereign and of his colleagues of all parties, and his loss is universally regarded as a national misfortune."

REUTER wires that the prospectus of the (North) Borneo Company has been issued. The capital required is two millions sterling.

THE steamship *Buluan* was undocked at Kowloon this afternoon. The German steamer *Masalia* will dock at the Cosmopolitan Dock tomorrow morning.

SHORTLY after six this morning the Buffs, headed by the band and drummers, went out route marching. The line of march was along Praya East, round Happy Valley, and home by Wanchai.

A LONDON telegram dated the 22nd instant announces that Mr. Robert Hart, the popular Inspector General of Maritime Customs in the Chinese Imperial Service, has been appointed a Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George.

HALF a dozen matsheds at Quar Bay, occupied by the Chinese employed in connection with the sugar refinery in course of erection there, caught fire on Friday, lighting up the place for some distance around. We believe a few hundred dollars would cover the loss, which falls upon the contractor.

STILL further troubles in Ireland. A telegram received this morning states that a gang of Moonlighters, 200 in number, made an attack on a homestead in Listowel. They were surprised by the police, and in the fight that ensued fifteen of the rioters were wounded or captured. Ireland does not appear to be "quieting down" so quickly, as was confidently predicted months ago.

THE regular monthly meeting of Victoria Lodge No. 1026, will be held at Freemason's Hall, Zealand Street, this evening at 9 o'clock precisely. After the transaction of the general business of the Lodge, the Right Worshipful D.G.M. will confer the degree of an Installed Master on Brother Thomas Gittins, the Worshipful Master Elect, of Fochow Lodge, Fochow, working under this District.

WE learn that Dr. Oliveira, the Procurador (Judge in the Chinese Court) of Macao, has been suspended from his office by Governor Graça for giving a decision adverse to the Government in a recent case connected with the salt monopoly. The Governor of Macao has an effective if somewhat arbitrary method of dealing with his subordinates who may happen to differ with his opinions. Mr. A. J. Bastos, who was formerly Procurador, was also suspended for deciding a case contrary to the wishes of his autocratic Excellency. It is however not improbable that Dr. Oliveira, a lawyer of distinguished ability according to report, may get the best of senior Graça in this dispute. In the meantime, Mr. Lourenço Marques has been appointed Acting Procurador.

THE match between eight sergeants of the Buffs and eight members of the police was shot off on Saturday afternoon on the rifle range at Kowloon, a strong variable breeze and good light being the atmospheric conditions. A considerable number of persons witnessed the competition. Some of the scores attained may be considered very fair, when it is taken into account that the possible at the three distances fired, 200, 300 and 600 yards, according to military marking, is 84 points, viz., four for a bull's-eye, three for a centre and two for an outer, while by the Wimbledon system of marking, the possible would be 105, viz., five for a bull's-eye, four for an inner, three for a centre, and two for an outer. As will be seen, the police have scored another victory over the "Grand old Buffs," their first having been on the Cricket Ground at the Artillery sports. It behoves the Buffs, if they desire to maintain their ancient reputation, to be up and doing; and in this connection, we hear that the gauntlet will shortly be thrown down again to the police by a picked team of the sergeants of the regiment. It is whispered, but we cannot vouch for the fact, that the team which met the police on Saturday at Kowloon was by no means composed of their best men. We append the scores:—

BUFFS.		POLICE.	
Sergeant Kelly	67	P.C. David	49
Sergeant Dandell	43	Sergeant Robertson	49
Sergeant Bishop	43	Inspector Orley	50
Cr. Sergeant Brady	37	Inspector Thomson	60
Sgt. Innes	59	Inspector Quinlan	56
Sgt. Major Packer	59	Inspector Whitelash	52
Sergeant Major Green	41	P.C. McKee	51
Cr. Sergeant Meredith	64	Sergeant Dullin	53

HEARING of a remarkable growth of the Cactus plant to be seen near Whitefield Police Station, our special paid a visit to the spot. The plant in question was first noticed last Wednesday, the centre stem springing up in such a rapid manner as to cause its growth to be examined daily; within the space of five days the stem has grown to a height of over six feet, which must be regarded as something very much out of the common. There can be little doubt that this wonderful specimen is of the same family as those Cactus giants which grow to such an immense height in Arizona. Had such plants been numerous in the district where the tower of Babel, about which we have read much and heard a great deal more, was built, it is just on the cards that the brick-makers of those days, and the bankruptcy court would have come into pretty close contact, as the Cactus, with proper cultivation, would have provided a much cheaper method of getting out of the reach of hain's way from the water, than bricks and mortar. It requires rather a stretch of imagination to fancy a town built on the top of a forest, yet, it must be remembered that we live in an advanced and still advancing age. The idea of a real town, situated midway between the terrestrial and celestial spheres, may bring some comfort to enterprising spirits, such as the geniuses who guide the Moribund Evening Maudler, and the Musty Morning Muffin Vapour, yet such a consummation would not be without its drawbacks, as the former print would then find some difficulty in making up its columns of news from the H.K. T., and the latter would probably be cured of serving up telegrams cut from Sydney papers, received by last steamer from that port, said telegrams being mostly from *North Queensland Papers*—after their appearance in our latest issue.

THE French gunboat *Latou* arrived yesterday from Shanghai, and the *Villars* left for Yokohama on Saturday.

THE Russian transport *Alaska* arrived in Nagasaki with relief troops for Siberia on Wednesday 12th inst.

THE 18th of last January was the hottest day ever experienced in Adelaide, S.A. The thermometer, 112 deg. in the shade and 180 in the sun.

THE appointment of Mr. Arthur Kennedy Travers as private secretary to His Excellency the Administrator, dating from April 19th, is gazetted.

WE are requested to state that Mrs. Marsh will be unable to receive visitors on Tuesday next the 25th instant, in consequence of having heard by the mail of the death of her father.

A JINRIKSHA coolie with feline annexing proclivities, whilst walking off with a Chinawoman's cat yesterday, was collared with the animal inside his jacket. Captain Thomsett sent him to fourteen days' seclusion in Arbutnot Road.

A COOLIE was sent to three months' hard labour this morning before Captain Thomsett for stealing a ricksha. The owner found the two-wheeler a long distance off its proper *boale* and the coolie industriously cutting off the awning. The prisoner admitted the charge.

WE hear that the Breakwater at Causeway Bay is progressing rapidly towards completion, under the able superintendence of the Acting Surveyor-General and his staff, and that a few more months will see the finishing touch put to the work. We understand that the Breakwater is already capable of affording shelter to the boat population in case they should require to avail themselves of its protection.

WONG ATUK, a servant to sergeant Inkpen, was charged this morning before Captain Thomsett with indecently assaulting Georgina Hollis, aged four years and nine months, daughter of Quarter-master sergeant Hollis of the Royal Engineer's quartered at spring Gardens on the 23rd instant. The alleged assault took place in the cook-house at spring Gardens. The case was remanded till 1st May, and the child was ordered to be taken to the Civil Hospital for examination.

OUR *War-special*, as we intimated in our Saturday's issue, was obliged to leave Belcher's Point that morning before the bloodless engagement which raged there had come to a conclusion. He learns upon enquiry to-day that the subsequent practice was remarkably good, the shells all dropping in positions that would have ensured dire slaughter amongst an enemy were he ensconced anywhere about the floating target and the shells had full play to scatter their deadly missiles about. We hear His Excellency the Major-General characterised the practice as very good. The firing was all over shortly after one o'clock.

A HAWKER was up this morning at the Police Court, charged with being concerned with another man not in custody in stealing a silver watch, valued at \$42, from the person of Theodorino Neves, a clerk at the Cosmopolitan Dock, on the 22nd instant. Complainant was standing on the steam launch preparing to cross over to Yau-ma-tei, when the defendant, and another man, who had been following him, came up close to him, the defendant giving him a push. He felt something from behind touch his pocket, the watch at the same time disappearing. He gave defendant into custody; the other man he could not see. The case was remanded till 1st May.

FOUR of the incorrigible street obstructionists of the Colony were up to-day at the Police Court, one of them for disorderly conduct yesterday, and the other three for assaulting the sixth Constable, who had the disorderly chair bearer in tow, and attempting to rescue his prisoner. The defendants were making a disturbance at the Cathedral, and when the sixth proceeded to do his duty by arresting one who had insulted him, the other three called out "Tah" and threw stones at him. With the aid of another Constable, he marched the four off to the lock-up. They were each fined twenty five cents or a day's imprisonment.

SAYS the Rising sun and Nagasaki Express of the 8th instant.—The American whaling ship *Reindeer*, of New Bedford, a barque-rigged vessel, of 357 tons register, commanded by Captain Baker, put into this port: on Saturday last to procure a fresh supply of water, provisions, and general stores. The *Reindeer* is eleven months out from New Bedford, on a whaling voyage; she has visited Fayal and Cape de Verde, and has cruised about on the equator. Fourteen whales have been secured, from which 600 barrels of sperm oil have been extracted. She left again on Wednesday, bound to the Japan sea, and afterwards to the Ochotsk sea, in further pursuit of whales. We believe Captain Baker expressed great satisfaction at the general result of his visit, so much so that he proposes advising others to endeavour to make Nagasaki their replenishing port.

THE remanded case in which Leung Yau, a coppermith, is charged, with others not in custody, with cutting and wounding Yim Lam, another coppermith, on the 3rd instant, came on again to-day before Captain Thomsett. This is the case which we cited in our issue of 17th instant as an illustration of the jealousy obtaining among Chinese artisans when one poaches on the territory of another. The wounded man, according to the evidence taken on the 17th having been stabbed by the other apparently because he had come here from Canton to work. Ip Apo, a street coolie, deposed to-day that on the 3rd instant he saw a man not in custody point with his finger to the complainant, when defendant went up to the latter and stabbed him with something, he could not see what. At the same time another man not in custody struck complainant with an iron bar. He picked defendant out, in a goal, from among ten other men. Police sergeant Forbes said the complainant when he saw him could hardly speak from loss of blood. Prisoner was committed for trial.

Two seamen of the Russian corvette *Vesnik* were charged this morning before Captain Thomsett with having been drunk and disorderly yesterday, and a turnkey of Victoria Gaol, named Vincent Mizzi, with attempting to rescue the Russians and assaulting the police in the execution of their duty. The seamen were ordered to be sent on board their ship to be dealt with by the Captain, and the turnkey was discharged with a caution. The latter said the sixth Constables were ill-treating the Russians, and so he spoke to them. Inspector Fleming said he saw Mizzi apparently remonstrating with the police, who were having some trouble with the seamen.

CHARLES FALLNEN, of Norway, and Robert Samuel Jerril, of Jamaica, unemployed seamen, were up before Captain Thomsett this morning charged with being rogues and vagabonds, and found drunk in the public street this morning. First defendant said he had an offer of a ship, and the second that he wanted to get work and had a boarding house,—to live in, we suppose. Police Constable Meyers said he took first defendant to Peter Smith's, who said he could not get a ship for him, as he was too great a drunkard. The Magistrate sent him to one month's hard labour. He had an order to board and lodge at the gaol, but did not seem to take advantage of it. The second defendant, who had been up four times previously, was sent to three months' hard labour.

FOREIGNERS, says the Shanghai *Mercury*, are always complaining that they cannot fight against Chinese combinations in trade. It is obvious enough that foreigners can combine, if they like, just as well, and the Chinese have recently seen an instance of the capacity of foreigners to combine in trade, and that in their first mercantile venture in England. The steamship *Meifoo*, the first Chinese-owned steamer that ever went on a trading expedition to England, had the greatest difficulty in procuring cargo on the return voyage, and had to accept 10s. a ton. She was chartered for the round voyage by an English firm established in Shanghai; so it was not from prejudice against the Chinese; but there is a powerful combination of freight brokers who rule the export shipping business, and they alone can find vessels. Owners must place themselves in their hands, or take 10s. a ton. This is a combination that equals or exceeds the Chinese power of combining.

THE remanded case in which two cooks are charged with assaulting Therese Davite with intent to rob, came on again to-day at the Police Court. Mr. Mossop, who appeared for both defendants asked the complainant several questions, but she adhered in the main to her previous statements. To-day she said the second defendant was the house boy. The watchman whom complainant's husband called when he found her struggling with the second defendant, gave evidence of the fact, and of his having handed over the second defendant to a Constable. Angelo Davite, the complainant's husband, deposed to hearing his wife screaming and shouting in the kitchen, to her finding her on holding on to the second prisoner, and to his calling the watchman. Police sergeant Fisher deposed to arresting the two defendants, who denied the charge. The complainant had previously made a report to the Police station of having been robbed of her clothes. At Mr. Mossop's request the case was remanded till Wednesday at 10 o'clock, bail as before.

## "L'ELISIR D'AMORE" AT THE CITY HALL.

The Italian Opera Company gave the fourth performance of the second series of subscription entertainments at the City Hall on Saturday evening, producing Donizetti's popular opera "L'Elisir d'Amore." The audience, although a fairly large one, was not up to the average, proving that the large number of entertainments we have had lately are gradually tiring out even the most indefatigable of our play-goers. However, the performance of Donizetti's charming comedy was almost in every respect equal to the best efforts of the Company, and gave the utmost satisfaction.

As we published a detailed sketch of "L'Elisir d'Amore" in our last issue, it is unnecessary here to dwell on the amusing incidents of its somewhat hackneyed plot. Donizetti's music in this opera—which was first produced at the *Teatro della Canobbiana* in Milan on May 12th 1832—although in many respects characteristic of the famous *maestro*, is more like the productions of Rossini and Bellini, such as "Il Barbiere" and "La Sonnambula," than of compositions of the stamp of "La Favorita" and "Luceria Borgese." Some of the *maestros* are exceptionally brilliant, the duetto between *Nemorino* and *Belcore*—"Al periglio della guerra"—and the *Romanza* "Una furtiva lagrima" especially attracting attention; whilst *Dulcamara's* grand aria is probably unsurpassed in operatic music. Identified with the names of the brightest ornaments of Italian operatic history, "L'Elisir d'Amore" has ever held a front rank in public estimation, and from its intrinsic merits as a masterpiece of sparkling music, it is likely to maintain its popularity for all time.

The representation on Saturday, although shorn of some of its greatest attractions by the absence of an efficient orchestra, full chorus, and effective *mise en scene*, was noteworthy for the artistic vocalisation of signora Pinelli and signor Vanzetti, and the humorous acting of the popular buffo, signor Cori.

The young *prima donna* has never previously appeared to such advantage, although she was evidently suffering from a slight affection of the throat. Eminently well suited by the character, signora Pinelli acted with grace and intelligence, and sang like a cultured artist; albeit her singing is not marked with that facility of execution which is such a charm in many high class vocalists. In the cavatina in the opening scene, "Della crudele Isotta" *Adina* sang with good effect, eliciting hearty applause, and throughout the representation she maintained a high standard of excellence, especially distinguishing herself in the scene and duet with *Nemorino* in the first act. Signor Vanzetti was in capital voice, and has seldom, if ever, during the present season, sung with more taste and correctness. His rendering of "Quanto è bella, quanto è cara" was admirable, and in the charming "Caro Elisir! sei mio!" his fine voice did ample justice to the beautiful music. The scene and duet with *Belcore*, when he enlists, was capably done by signor Vanzetti, and deservedly received the plaudits of the audience. We must however take exception to signor Vanzetti's style of dress, when he assumes the role of a rustic lover. Allowing that the short-too short—velvet jacket may be the traditional garment of the Roman peasant of "the brave days of old," a certain amount of latitude must



surely be allowed the artist. If the worthy tenor could only see a man of his own build from the front of the house, in the jacket he wore as *Elvino* in "La Sonnambula" and as *Nemorino* on Saturday night, he would be quite certain he would have the garment lengthened without loss of time. It is singularly fitting and, as is well known, a romantic tenor and lover to be effective must always look his best. As the beautiful *Delcore* Signor Ciocci was uniformly successful. The music of the part was handled in splendid style, and the Signor's conception and rendering of the character of the blustering sergeant were in every respect admirable. Without Signor Bertolini, who appeared as *Gianetta*, the chorus would scarcely have been audible, and we must give this lady great credit for making so much of the very few opportunities she has of scoring in minor parts. In the choruses she is simply invaluable.

The *Duker* of Signor Corti deserves a special paragraph. Although the splendid baritone voice, which at one time made the name of Corti famous in Italy, has lost much of its ancient power, the veteran can still claim to be considered an operator of great ability. In buffo-roles especially, Signor Corti is fairly entitled to rank high, and in no character has he appeared to such advantage in Hongkong, as in that of *Duker*, the innermost quick and specious humbug of "L'Elisir d'Amore." From the moment that he made his appearance on the stage, heralded by a "ricksha" by a couple of Moorish servants, (the donkey which had been specially engaged for this ceremony unfortunately fell sick at the last moment, and could not come up to time) until the fall of the curtain, Signor Corti was the soul of the representation. In the splendid cavatina "Utile, utile o rustici" his singing was unusually correct, and the audience showed their appreciation of the veteran's efforts by awarding him loud applause, which was renewed again and again at various stages of the performance. In the barcarole with *Adina*, he sang *tu sei bella*, and the recitative and duet—*Quanto amore*—Signor Corti was equally successful. Altogether his performance was a most creditable one.

The audience were most liberal in their applause throughout the representation, the whole of the principal performers receiving unanimous calls before the curtain at the end of each of the three acts.

We would call attention to the performance of "Tutti in Maschera" which will be given for the benefit of Signora Elena Pinelli to-morrow night. This young artist deserves well of the public, and we trust she will be heartily supported. On Saturday next "Il Barbiere di Siviglia" will be reproduced, the management having been unable, through force of circumstances, to produce "Faust" as was at first intended.

## SUPREME COURT.—THIS DAY.

The boy Anthony James Spencer was brought up for sentence this morning. He was convicted of stealing a clock from the house of Dr. Eastlake, and of stealing goods fraudulently from MacEwen Fricker & Co. Mrs. J. F. Rose, and attempting a similar fraud on Mr. C. L. Thevenin. Being asked by Mr. C. L. Thevenin if he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed, or in mitigation thereof, the prisoner said that last Friday some one went to him in Victoria Road, and asked him if he would go on board an American or English man-of-war when he came out of prison. He did not care about it then, but later the superintendent of the Gaol told him that if he would engage to do so he would get a lighter sentence, and he said that if he had known this at first he would have at once closed with the offer. His Honor, the Judge, said that no one was authorized to tell him that he would get a lighter sentence, and that it was his own interest to leave the colony as soon as possible. The Court could not make any compromise. His was a very bad case indeed, and he (the Judge) had great difficulty in dealing with it. He had made enquiries, and had learned a great deal about the prisoner's history. He regretted there was no Reformatory for his case, and so he must deal with it as well as he could, and the only way open to him was by a sentence of imprisonment. The prisoner had fallen into the hands of bad companions, but there was no excuse for him, as he was not a poor boy who was starving and could not get a living. He had lost his parents, it was true, but he had been brought up well and had good opportunities, but he had taken to bad courses. He thought, perhaps, there was something grand in being a thief, but the best way he (the Judge) could induce him to get rid of such foolish notions would be by imprisoning him and having him flogged besides. His Honor then proceeded to pass sentence. For stealing the clock, the prisoner was to be imprisoned for three calendar months, and to be once flogged with a rattan on the breech, 15 strokes. Upon each of the other three charges he was to be further imprisoned, at the expiration of the first term, for three calendar months with hard labour, the first week and the last month to be in solitary confinement. His Honor said he hoped the prisoner would think over what he had done and determine to be a good boy. His only hope was to leave the Colony, and there were people prepared to assist him to do so. He could not permit him any remission of his sentence, but if he behaved himself well in gaol, the authorities might take his case into consideration.

## SHANGHAI TRAINING NOTES.

The Grass Course was an open day this morning (18th inst.) and a good deal of galloping took place. The following are the principal mile and a half mile gallops, the work being chiefly confined to the distance. Early in the morning Mr. St. Vincent's pair went for the first 14 m. gallop in 31, before the dew had dried up; time not satisfactory to the stable. Then, Mr. Fungus Pillager and Pradator, and Mr. Kelly's Black Thorn went together; the Black was beaten off, so that this is not his distance, or he has gone off since he changed owners, as he did, before, 1.35 for 2 m. easily, carrying 160 lbs.; the others 3.25, the first three quarters was 1.40. The Major's skewball Owasco, with his rooster Reeler, and Mr. Eaton's rooster Burlesque, went out together, the skewball pulled up, and the chestnut Burlesque by some lengths in 3.30. Mr. Paul's snowflake, a remarkably fine grey entered in the Reckers' and the future favourite for the Hongkong Derby, Mr. Fairfoster, went in fine style and left Vels and Derelict in the lurch, Alarm was pulled up. Problem Mr. Chouleur's two, Prospect and Prolet, and cleared them out, the dun being beaten off. Quickilver and Montezuma went together, the chestnut came in very easily, keeping alongside the mercurial grey, time 3.28; Montezuma impressed the ring very favorably. Imp, Oyrur done and Mercede, went together, the first 1 m. was 1.45, when Mercede was beaten off the others galloped close together, Imp having the best of it; time 3.24, or a trifle under. Castigator, Monkey (nearly white), went by himself, finishing well in 3.22. The two black, Landsman's last 14 m. out of his mile and a half training gallop was 3.28; this fine animal's coat was shining like a mirror in the sun. Lothair, with Moonstone, who finished behind him a few lengths, did 3.23; this animal must have been greatly improved by paper hunting unless the griffins are duller. Mr.

Mercade's Far East and Far South, with Pelham, went out together; Far South's hind legs were taken back for another; the other two did the gallop in 3.28, first 1 m. 1.44. Mr. Fernando's Dunkeld went about as fast as he could in 3.28, beating Dunbar. The great sensation of the morning was Mr. Gore-Booth's stable; White Knight, with Incubus (Roadster's Plate) to keep him company, went for a mile, finishing in magnificent style, cantering and not touched, Mr. Ring riding, in 2.30 m., first quarter 33 s., 2 m. 64 s., 1 m. 1.36 s., the owner was much pleased and went out of the gate to meet him, and the performance elicited a round of applause from the stand when the pony returned. The only other pony we note was Mr. Fungus Picaroon, 1 m. 1.36, 1st qtr 31 s., 2 m. 61 s.; there were a few slower three quarters. About 8 p.m. Mr. Bill galloped Presto (Steeplechaser) for two miles in 4.53. Mr. Bill's Gang Forward is generally believed to be the late First Trumpet, although he is not entered as such. The Ducketing Society had a catastrophe this morning. Their swell chestnut, Fair Wind, who could go like the wind, in the mud at any rate, was pulled up and walked in; he has broken down, or something wrong with his wind; the society passed the rest of the morning consulting with their vet.; then they went and had a wet.

Messrs. Krenor's and Ring's stables had a paw on Saturday on the Road. Then they poked the duffers yesterday on the course, six in all; the principal duffer was Orion, the 225 lbs. white; he spread-eagled his field, and finished easily in 1.34, according to the owner's stop watch; some outsiders made it a trifle over 1.33, so a deal took place. Orion changed owners for 150, with all his engagements, the entries for which amount to 175; so the owners just get their money back and have had to pay for his keep. Probably Orion was beaten in Saturday's paw, and the stable have something considerably better; they must be strong if they can kick out ponies that can do 1.33 easily. This morning (17th) the grass course was again open as it was yesterday morning. Mr. Bill was plying his stable when we arrived at the course, and they did 1 m. in 1.37, a training gallop. Mr. Bill went again for 1 m. with six, four of them finished near together, and two of them dropped out. Fairfoster did 2.9 for a mile carrying Mr. Foxhound, a few pounds overweight. Mr. Gore-Booth's Incubus did 1 m. in 1.35. Mr. Kelly's Black Thorn did 1 m. in very good style in 1.33. Poldin had an exercise canter, after his training for a mile, the last 7 furlongs was 25. We may mention that we made a mistake in Montezuma's time on Saturday, it was 3.25; the white pony sold out of Mr. Ring's stable was named Helios. He was purchased by Mr. Sheppard. Orion is the dun. The grass course was saved this morning (18th inst.) and the training course had to be resorted to; it was said to be very hard. A few paws worth noting took place. Mr. Little Pip went for a mile on Saturday in 2.31; Mr. Fernando's pair went for 13 mile, said to be something very good, supposed to be about 3.50, but people state that the first time they came to the post under the impression that it was a half mile; the dun did not away from the white, but he was very tired at the finish. White Knight went for 1 m. with a light weight; he cantered up the straight; his owner explained that he was not galloping, and he certainly was not, still the stopwatch marked 30 s. for the last quarter; the last half mile was 62 s.; whole time 3.37. Scaramouch was going in beautiful style; he was tried griffin that was poked the same day as Poldin and did 1 m. in 3.23. Mr. Fungus' stable was tried the middle of to-day. Pillager, Prodigious and Picaroon went 1 m.; Pillager won easily, time 1.33 1/2. Plunderer, Predator and Privilege went 1 m.; the first named won easily in 3.18 1/2, his last quarter being 31 seconds.—Shanghai Mercury.

## NEWS BY THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Omer* with the London mails of March 17th arrived this morning. We take the following items from the *London and China Express*:—

Captain Boulineau has been appointed to the command of the *Kersaint*, French man-of-war on the China station.

The Peninsular and Oriental steam Navigation Company have decided to remove their establishment from Galle to Colombo in June next, and after that date the steamers will call regularly at the latter port.

It is officially notified that the German squadron in the Far East, under the command of Captain Leblanc, is to be composed of the corvette *Slesoth*, with 16 guns and a crew of 379 men; *Hertha*, 19, and 373 men; *Wendisch*, 19, and 373 men; and the gunboats *Wolf* and *Ilia*, with 4 guns and 77 men each.

A statement having appeared in some of the American papers to the effect that Prince Prisdang intended visiting the United States, we are enabled to say that His Highness has no intention at present of proceeding there, and will not do so unless some special opportunity occurred to make a visit desirable.

In the Portuguese Cortes at Lisbon, on the 15th inst., the Minister of Foreign Affairs, senior scannichia, in reply to an interpellation by the Deputy from Macao, stated that the Chinese Treaty is almost ready. The Treaty contains no reference to the sovereignty of Portugal over Macao, China having refused to ratify the Treaty signed at Tientsin in the year 1862, because Portugal then insisted upon the latter point.

The President of the United States has nominated Mr. Russell Young as Minister in China, in succession to Mr. James H. Angell. Mr. Young, who is attached to the staff of the *New York Herald*, and was their London correspondent for some time, accompanied General Grant as private secretary during his tour round the world. He will be remembered by many of our readers in the Far East. The Senate on the 15th inst. confirmed the appointment.

Commodore Edward White, who has been selected to succeed Commodore W. S. Brown in charge of the naval station at Jamaica, entered the Navy in 1847. He was promoted commander, 1866, and 1867 joined the *Rodney*, Captain Heneage, on her being commissioned as Vice-Admiral Sir Henry Keppel's flagship in the China seas. On the return of the *Rodney* to England, Commander White was employed for a short time on Coastguard service at Greenock and commanded the troopship *Himalaya* from 1876 to 1879.

Subsequent upon the retirement of Admirals Cumming and Charles Hillyar the following promotions to the Active List will take place. Vice-Admiral Sir Beauchamp Seymour and Sir Reginald Macdonald to the rank of Admiral. Rear-Admirals Gore Jones (Commander-in-Chief East Indies) and the Hon. Carr Glynn (temporary commanding Channel Squadron) to vice-rank, and Captain Sir Michael Culme scymour, Bart., and Sir Frederic Richards to rear flag rank. The promotion of the two last-named officers will place two Naval Aide-de-Campships to the Queen at the disposal of the First Lord of the Admiralty.

"THAMES-STREET INDUSTRIES" by Percy Russell. This Illustrated Pamphlet on Pottery, &c., published at 6d., may be had gratis from any Chemist or dealer in perfumery in the World, or JOHN GOSNELL & Co., London.—[ADVT.]

## Today's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL  
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

UNDER THE PATRONAGE  
OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR,  
AND  
HIS EXCELLENCY GENERAL DONOVAN.

SIGNOR HOFLICH  
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as originally intended, and craves the indulgence of the Public for a slight breach of faith, which circumstances render imperative.

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BASILIO (a Music-Master).....signor CORTI.  
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Doors open at 8.30 P.M., Performance to commence at 9 P.M. sharp.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen cannot be admitted.  
A. HÖFLICH,  
Director and Manager.  
Hongkong, 24th April, 1882. [192]

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

FROM LIVERPOOL & SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "COPTIC" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 30th instant will be subject to sale. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be Countersigned by CHAS. H. HASWELL, JUN.,  
Hongkong, 24th April, 1882. [269]

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY OF MR. NISIM ISAAC SILAS in Our Firm in China and Hongkong, Ceased on the 31st December, 1881.

E. D. SASSOON & Co.  
Hongkong, 24th April, 1882. [270]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

OF VALUABLE PROPERTY IN BONHAM-STRAND AND JERVOIS-STREET.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 8th day of May, 1882, at TWO P.M., on the spot (Shop No. 103 Jervois-street). Under instructions received from the MORTGAGEE:

FIRST LOT.  
ALL that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND, situate in Victoria, Hongkong; the North side, Bonham-strand measuring 15 feet 6 in.; on the South side thereof in Jervois-street measuring 14 feet 9 in.; the East side thereof on a close registered in the LAND OFFICE as INLAND LOT 859, measuring 172 feet; and on the West side thereof on a close registered in the LAND OFFICE as INLAND LOT 860 and partly on a close registered in the LAND OFFICE as INLAND LOT 862, measuring 57 feet 9 in. and one hundred and eight feet and 6 in.; which said Piece or Parcel of GROUND contains, in the whole 2557 square feet. Together with the SHOP No. 103 Jervois-street and SHOP No. 72 Bonham-strand. Yearly Crown Rent \$45.08.

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Hongkong, 17th April, 1882. [246]

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